

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Guy Richard Chandler et al. : Art Unit:
Application No.: 09/623,447 : Examiner:
Filed: September 5, 2000 :
FOR: IMPROVEMENTS IN EMISSIONS CONTROL :

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

S I R :

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application is requested to consider and make of record the references listed on the PTO 1449 (R&P) submitted herewith. A copy of each of the listed references is also enclosed.

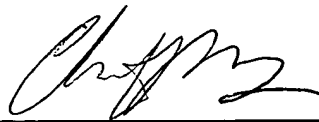
Although the information submitted herewith may be "material" to the Examiner's consideration of the subject application, this submission is not intended to constitute an admission that such information is "prior art" as to the claimed invention.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

Reference DE 33 37 903 is not in the English language, but this reference was cited by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. A copy of this English language search report, indicating the degree of relevance determined by the foreign patent office is submitted herewith. MPEP Section 609A(3), second paragraph. Also, an English abstract of this reference is attached to the copy of the reference submitted herewith.

No first Official Action has yet been received and it is presumed that none has yet been mailed. Accordingly, no fee or certification is required.
37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

Respectfully submitted,



Christopher R. Lewis, Reg. No. 36,201
Attorney for Applicants

Enclosures: PTO Form 1449;
Copy of three (3) references:
Copy of British Search Report; and
Copy of International Search Report

Dated: December 13, 2000

Suite 301
One Westlakes, Berwyn
P.O. Box 980
Valley Forge, PA 19482-0980
(610) 407-0700

The Assistant Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge payment to Deposit Account No. 18-0350 of any fees associated with this communication.

EXPRESS MAIL Mailing Label No.: EL619536865
Date of Deposit: December 13, 2000

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. 1.10, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Box PCT, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on the date indicated above.

Kathleen Libby

